The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2003—Continued

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now continue with the Department of the Interior appropriations bill.

The pending Craig amendment will be temporarily set aside.

The Senator from California is recognized.

AMENDMENT NO. 4573 TO AMENDMENT NO. 4472

Mrs. BOXER. Madam President, I send an amendment to the desk. It has been cleared on both sides.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], for herself, Mr. INOUYE, and Mr. CAMPBELL, proposes an amendment numbered 4573 to amendment No. 4472.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To prohibit the use of funds to determine the validity of mining claims of, or to approve the plan of operations submitted by, the Glamis Imperial Corporation for the Imperial project in the State of California)

On page 64, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

## SEC. 1\_\_\_. IMPERIAL PROJECT.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds provided by this Act or under any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to determine the validity of mining claims of, or to approve the plan of operations submitted by, the Glamis Imperial Corporation for the Imperial project, an open-pit gold mine located on public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Imperial County, California.

Mrs. BOXER. This amendment would prohibit the use of funds to determine the validity of mining claims of, or to approve the plan of operations submitted by, the Glamis Imperial Corporation for the Imperial project in California. It has been cleared by the leaders, and I thank them very much. I ask that the Senate adopt it at this time.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 4573) was agreed to

Mr. BURNS. Madam President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mrs. BOXER. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 4574 TO AMENDMENT NO. 4472

Mr. BURNS. Madam President, I send to the desk an amendment for Mr. BROWNBACK of Kansas and ask for its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the pending amendment is set aside. The clerk will report the amendment.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Montana [Mr. BURNS], for Mr. Brownback, proposes an amendment numbered 4574 to amendment No. 4472.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To clarify the effect of certain provisions on the application of a Federal appellate decision and the use of certain Indian land)

On page 64, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

## SEC. 1\_\_\_. EFFECT OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS ON DECISION AND INDIAN LAND.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in section 134 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002 (115 Stat. 443) affects the decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit in Sac and Fox Nation v. Norton, 240 F.3d 1250 (2001).

(b) USE OF CERTAIN INDIAN LAND.—Nothing in this section permits the conduct of gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) on land described in section 123 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (114 Stat. 944), or land that is contiguous to that land, regardless of whether the land or contiguous land has been taken into trust by the Secretary of the Interior.

Mr. BURNS. Madam President, this amendment provides that nothing in section 134 of the fiscal year 2002 Interior bill shall impact ongoing litigation involving the Department of the Interior and the Sac and Fox Nation. This language has previously been passed by the Senate and addresses the inadvertent impact of language adopted in conference on the fiscal year 2002 bill. I recommend its adoption.

Mr. REID. There is no objection on this side.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate, without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

The amendment (No. 4574) was agreed to.

Mr. BURNS. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mrs. BOXER. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was

agreed to.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Sen-

ator from Nevada.

Mr. REID. Madam President. I ask

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask that now we move to morning business.

Mr. BURNS. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that on completion of morning business, the Craig amendment be the pending business when we reopen discussions on the appropriations bill.

Mr. REID. Reserving the right to object, would that be the order anyway?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That is the order.

Mr. BURNS. I did not know.

## MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period for morning business as under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The Senate is in a period for morning business.

The Senate majority leader.

Mr. DASCHLE. Madam President, I will use my leader time. I ask unani-

mous consent to extend the time, should that be required, to complete my presentation this morning.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## THE STATE OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

Mr. DASCHLE. Madam President, we had a very good discussion this morning with the President talking about national security in several contexts—of course, the war on terror and the important challenges this country faces in continuing to make this country and the world a safer place in which to live. The arrests over the weekend and the cooperation we got from Pakistan ought to be particularly noted, and we ought to thank the Government of Pakistan for their cooperation. We talked about that this morning.

We talked about Iraq and the threat it poses to us. We talked about the need for cooperation when dealing with the threats posed by Iraq, not only within the Congress and the country, but in the international community. So we had a very good discussion about national security, and I believe it ought to be uppermost in the minds of all people, and certainly the Congress as we continue to complete our responsibilities in the second session of the 107th Congress.

Let me also say, just as we properly recognize the threat that exists in more traditional national security areas, we, as a country and particularly as a government, would be remiss in our responsibilities were we not to address economic security, were we not to recognize the peril this country is in economically, So, in addition to acknowledging the importance of our defense activities, I also wanted to come to the Chamber this morning to express my concern for the lack of attention paid to the state of economic security, to express the concern that many of us have with regard to what has been a very unfortunate, some would even say tragic, economic trend in this country over the course of the last 18 months.

I have a number of charts that reflect more graphically some of these concerns, and I want, if I may, to walk through some of them at this time.

If we look at the record of this administration over the past 18 months, perhaps it is best summarized in the very first chart: Record job losses; weak economic growth; declining business investment; falling stock market; shrinking retirement accounts; eroding consumer confidence; rising health care costs; escalating foreclosures; vanishing surpluses and higher resulting interest costs; raiding the Social Security trust fund; record executive pay; and stagnating minimum wage.

If you were going to use the shortest list with the greatest concern, this chart is it.

Let me go through many of these individual concerns a little more thoroughly. Over the last 2 years—actually